1	Corrigendum for
2	"A temporal kernel method to compute effective radiative forcing in CMIP5
3	transient simulations"
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- 15 The mathematical description in section 4 of Larson and Portmann (2016)
- incorrectly uses forcing in the equations when it should use delta forcing.
- 17 Specifically this variable is used in equations 2, 3, and 5. Here, F_j, described as the
- forcing in year j, should be described as the change in forcing between year j-1 and j.
- 19 The actual radiative forcing is the cumulative summation of these changes. This
- 20 error does not affect any results or conclusions from the paper. It is simply an error
- 21 in representing the equations in the manuscript.

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- 23 The correct forms of equations 2, 3, and 5, respectively, from Larson and Portmann
- 24 (2016) are

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$$y_i = \sum_{j=0}^{i} x_j \frac{\Delta F_{i-j}}{F_0} = y_i = \sum_{j=0}^{i} x_{i-j} \frac{\Delta F_j}{F_0}$$

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$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\Delta\mathbf{F}/F_0$$

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$$\Delta \mathbf{F} = F_0 \mathbf{X}^{-1} \mathbf{Y}.$$

- The only difference is the change from F to ΔF , where ΔF_i is the change in forcing
- between year j and j-1. The forcing time series, F, is the cumulative summation of
- 32 the changes in forcing ΔF

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$$F_i = \sum_{j=0}^i \Delta F_j.$$

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